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In Re Application of:

DANIELS et al.

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Title: IMMUNOCHROMATOGRAPHIC METHODS FOR DETECTING
AN ANALYTE IN A SAMPLE WHICH EMPLOY
SEMICONDUCTOR NANOCRYSTALS AS DETECTABLE
LABELS

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 30, 2002. The Examiner therein required election of one of the following groups of claims:

Group I Claims, 1-21, drawn to a method for determining the presence and/or amount of an analyte of interest in a test sample;

Group II Claims, 22-49, drawn to a method for determining the presence and/or amount of an analyte of interest in a test sample;

Group III Claims, 50-70, drawn to a method for determining the presence and/or amount of an analyte of interest in a test sample;

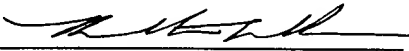
Group IV Claims, 71-94, drawn to a test strip; and

Group V Claims, 95-102, drawn to a test strip.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 1-21, without traverse. Applicants expressly reserve their right under 35 USC §121 to file one or more divisional applications directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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